

# The Bed and Breakfast Association of Virginia

## *No Airs about Us*



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What does “no airs about us” mean? The Bed and Breakfast Association of Virginia has as its members, those who have personally designed and professionally manage a hospitality business. They are generally NOT “Air B & Bs!”

What is the difference?

Generally, a Bed & Breakfast has been established by applying for county zoning permission and health department inspections. These establishments pay city, county, and state taxes. Often the establishment is in the home of the owners who manage and own the business. They have designed spaces that their guests will enjoy often including common areas, gardens, and other amenities such as hot tubs, pools, and fireplaces.

Although some Bed & Breakfasts hire others to cook the breakfast, more times than not, it is the owners who are cooking. Many have designed a relaxing and unique experience for both the overnight stay and the breakfast meal. Some serve dinner while others choose not to do so. During breakfast, often guests interact and converse with each other while enjoying meeting new people.

Commonly, you will be greeted by the owners and hosts. The hosts can provide travel advice, sightseeing information, and offer a list of restaurants or places of local interest.

Be sure to check out the guest reviews of any B & B that you are planning to visit.

In an *Air B & B*, generally, the owners of the rental do not greet you, nor serve you breakfast. Sometimes there is a door code, or a key placed for you upon your arrival. A cleaning service is used to maintain the property and depending on the owner, they may or not pay taxes on your rental and they may not have passed any health or county inspections. If you prefer little interaction with others and don't care about a home cooked breakfast, then this option may suit you best.

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